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Q. Did you go to the place where the bodies were found ?

A. I did.

Q. What time did you arrive there ?

A. About half-past eleven.

Q. Where did you go ?

A. I went up to DeRussey's Lane and I saw the two bodies on the Phillips Farm.

Q.¹/₂ Was Cardinal there ?

A. He was not.

Q. Did he get there before you got there ?

A. He did.

Q. And when you got there he was not there ?

A. No, sir.

Q. What did you see when you got there ?

A. I saw the body of Mrs. Mills and the body of Doctor Hall.

Q. Did you know that it was Mrs. Mills' body ?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Did you know it was Doctor Hall's body ?

A. I did.

Q. What did you observe at the time as to the condition of the bodies ?

A. I went up there primarily to identify Mrs. Mills. I looked at Mrs. Mills and saw that she had a blue dress, ~~little~~ red polka dots, blue velvet hat, brown scarf partly over her face.

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Q. Will you look at these articles and see if these are the articles you saw ?

MR. PFEIFFER: Referring to the clothes of Mrs. Mills ?

Q. Referring to the clothes, are these the articles you saw there ?

A. That is the dress and the hat and the pair of shoes.

Q. And after you identified her and saw the clothes where did you go ?

A. Back to the office.

Q. And then where did you go, did you go to the Mills' house ?

A. Prior to going up to DeRussey's Lane.

Q. What time did you go to Mr. Mills' home ?

A. Fifteen minutes after we received reports that the bodies were in the lane.

Q. Why did you go up to Mr. Mills' home ?

A. Because there was a suspicion she was the woman.

Q. Why ? A. Town gossip.

Q. Well, how did that connect with Doctor Hall, why should you go to Mrs. Mills' house ?

A. Town gossip that Mrs. Mills and Doctor Hall were friendly.

Q. When you got to the Mills' house what did you see ?

A. Did not see anyone at the Mills' home.

Q. Anybody around the Mills' home ?

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A. Going down Carman Street I met James Mills.

Q. And where did you meet him ?

A. Fifty feet from his home.

Q. What happened between you and him, you needn't tell the conversation, but what was the action, what did you do ?

A. I didn't get the question, Senator.

Q. What happened between you and Mills ?

A. I asked him where I could locate Doctor Hall.

Q. What did he say ?

A. He said, "He is down at South Jersey, doing some institutional work."

Q. How long was your conversation with Mills ?

A. Two minutes.

Q. Then what did you do ?

A. I went down to the Kelly home.

Q. Who were the Kellys, how do they figure in it ?

A. They reside on the first floor of the Mills' house.

Q. After you had been at the Kelly home where did you go ?

A. Sent the chauffeur up to the Mills home.

Q. What did you do ?

A. Stood in the hallway downstairs.

Q. How long were you in the Mills home ?

A. Ten minutes.

Q. Did you go to the Hall home ?

A. I did not.

Q. Did you meet Cardinal afterwards ?

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A. At the office.

Q. Did he have any exhibits, handkerchiefs, letters or cards ?

A. He did not.

Q. Did you see any cards up at the place of the bodies ?

A. None whatever.

Q. Did you go to the Hall home ?

A. I did not.

Q. How long were you there where the bodies were lying ?

A. Ten minutes.

Q. Can you describe how the woman's body was lying with reference to Doctor Hall's right hand ?

A. Doctor Hall 's right ^{hand} was extended near the woman, rested near her shoulder. Her arms down at her side.

Q. How was the clothing ?

A. Properly arranged.

Q. Were the bodies laying there as if somebody had arranged the clothing after the death ?

A. They were.

Q. Did you see Detective Totten there ?

A. He was.

Q. Who was with him, Hubbard the undertaker ?

A. He was not.

Q. Who did you see with him ?

A. Totten was alone when I left Phillips' Lane.

Q. Then what happened ?

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A. I told him I thought I could identify the woman's body.

Q. And you did identify it ?

A. I did.

Q. And then what happened ?

A. After I identified the body I started out, and going out the lane, I think going out the lane, Mr. Hubbard, Senator Florence and James Neilson were there.

Q. Did you see any of the Carpenders there while you were there ?

A. Not to my knowledge I didn't see any.

Q. The only persons you saw there were Hubbard, Florence and Neilson ?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Who is Mr. Neilson, what is his full name ?

A. James Neilson.

Q. Now then, while you were there was there a crowd around the bodies ?

A. I suppose there were fifteen people.

Q. Were they kept away from the bodies or did they step over them and walk over them and walk all around the bodies.

A. They did.

Q. Was there effort by the police or anybody you could see to preserve the situation just as it was the first time the bodies were found ?

A. No.

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Q. Did you see anybody touch the bodies ?

A. Walked in around the bodies, no one touched them while I was there.

Q. Did you leave before Totten ?

A. I did.

Q. You refer to Mr. Hubbard being present while the bodies were still there and under the crabapple tree, do you mean the undertaker who buried the bodies ?

A. I do. He was at DeRussey's Lane.

Q. You are sure he was there ?

A. I am.

Q. Now was he in company with Senator Florence and James Neilson ?

A. He was. They were not close. Senator Florence was in Phillips' Lane. James Neilson and Hubbard were in DeRussey's Lane.

Q. As a result of ^{anything} ~~saying~~ James Mills told you Mrs. Hall had told him, did you go to the Hall home ?

A. I did, ^{not,} my mission was to find out who the woman was.

Q. But Mills did say something to you accounting for the absence of Doctor Hall, which Mrs. Hall had told him ?

A. Said Mrs. Hall had told him he was down in South Jersey doing institutional work.

Q. Did you write the story about this ?

A. I corrected the original story.

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Q. Did that story mention anything about the throat being cut ?

A. It did.

Q. Did you see Mr. Henry Carpenter present at the scene of the crime any time you were there ?

A. He was not.

CROSS EXAMINATION BY MR. PFEIFFER:

Q. Well, did you see Mr. William Stevens there at any time ?

A. He was not there.

Q. What day was it that Mills told you Mrs. Hall told him Doctor Hall was in South Jersey doing institutional work ?

A. The day the bodies were found.

Q. Do I understand you to say that Mr. Mills told you that Mrs. Hall told him that the Doctor was doing institutional work ?

A. I asked Mr. Mills where I could find Doctor Hall. I had already known he was dead, of course. He said Mrs. Hall said he was doing institutional work in South Jersey.

Q. And he did not say when Mrs. Hall had told him that ?

A. That was the end of my conversation with Mr. Mills.

(Recess until 10:15 A. M., Thursday,
the 19th day of August, 1926.)

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